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VIA AIRBORNE EXPRESS

David Waddell
Executive Secretary
Tennessee Regulatory Authority
460 James Robertson Parkway
Nashville, TN 37243-05055

RE: Metromedia Fiber Network Services, Inc. (Docket No. 00-00233)

Dear Mr. Waddell:

This letter is in response to your letter dated April 18, 2000 in which you ask for a discussion of MFNS' intentions concerning compliance with TCA § 65-4-201(d). This rule addresses competition in areas served by an incumbent local exchange telephone company ("ILEC") with fewer than 100,000 total access lines.

As you know, MFNS seeks statewide certification from the Authority to provide local exchange service, exchange access service, and interexchange service. Construction will begin in Nashville. When MFNS decides to begin providing service in a part of the state served by an ILEC with fewer than 100,000 total access lines, and the ILEC has not applied to the Authority for a certificate to provide telecommunications services in an area outside its service area existing on June 6, 1995, MFNS will attempt to voluntarily negotiate an interconnection agreement with the ILEC.

If the ILEC has applied to the Authority for a certificate to provide telecommunications services in an area outside its service area existing on June 6, 1995, MFNS will negotiate an interconnection agreement in the due course pursuant to Authority and FCC regulations and then submit such agreement to the Authority for approval.



Please contact me if you have any questions or require additional information.

Sincerely,

Karen Nations

Cc: Darrell Whitis